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**REQUEST**

FOR

**CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 USC 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application No.	09/489,629
Filing Date	January 24, 2000
First Named Inventor	LAMB
Group Art Unit	2142
Examiner Name	VU, THONG H.
Attorney Docket No	201385

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on

iii.  Other:

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply

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ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

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iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv.  Form PTO-1449

v.  Copies of documents listed in Form PTO-1449

vi.  Other:

**2. Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)

b.  Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

c.  Other:

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.

i.  RCE fee of \$770.00 (large entity) required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

\$770.00

ii.  Three-month extension of time fee of \$950.00 (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

\$950.00

iii.  Petition for an extension of time for the period noted above, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

iv.  Suspension of action fee of \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i))

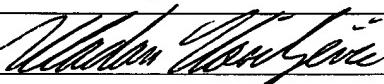
v.  Other:

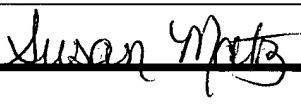
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b.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the above fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 12-1216

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<b>SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED</b>			
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<b>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.10</b>			
I hereby certify that this RCE Transmittal and all accompanying documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on October 8, 2003, in an envelope as "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR 1.10, Mailing Label Number EV 329737016US, addressed to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.			
Name (Print/Type)	Susan Matz		
Signature		Date	October 8, 2003

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**Case No. : 201385**

**Application No. : 09/489,629**

**Charge To : Microsoft Corporation**

**Amount : \$1,720.00**

**Description : for filing an RCE with a three month extension of time.**

**Requestor's Name : Susan Matz**

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